IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

APRIL 6, 1880.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Burnside, from the Committee on Military Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. 229.]

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (S. 229) for the relief of Thomas S. Bridges, have carefully considered the same, and beg leave to make the following report:

Upon an examination of this case it is found that the accounts of Thomas S. Bridges, late first lieutenant Company B, Third Regiment Infantry, California Volunteers, with the subsistence department of the Army have been closed; that, upon a final settlement of his accounts, it was shown that he was indebted to the United States to the amount of \$395.15, and on his verbal request the Second Auditor, by requisition No. 7904, dated March 2, 1870, deducted from the pay found due him the above amount, \$395.15, for which amount Lieutenant Bridges was unable to furnish vouchers, or a satisfactory explanation as to the disposition made of the funds.

There are no papers connected with this case to show that this settlement was at all unfair; and, in view of the fact that it was made at the request of the officer himself, your committee are of the opinion that it must have been correct.

The committee, therefore, ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, and recommend its indefinite postponement.